

REMARKS

Thorough examination of the application is sincerely appreciated.

In the Office Action, it is alleged that the application contains claims directed to 2 inventions, defined as Group I (claims 1 – 8) and Group II (claims 9 – 15).

In response, to advance the prosecution of this application and without conceding any statements or waiving any arguments in the Office Action, claims 1 – 8 are canceled without prejudice. Claims 9 – 15 remain for examination on the merits.

An earnest effort has been made to be fully responsive to the Examiner's correspondence and advance the prosecution of this case. An early and favorable action on the merits is respectfully requested.

Please charge any additional fees associated with this application to Deposit Account No. 14-1270.

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Respectfully submitted,

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